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SUBJ: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: JUNE 17 LETTER

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1. LETTER ADDRESSED TO U.S. AND DUTCH AMBASSADORS AND SIGNED
BY KIDNAPPED STUDENTS DATED JUNE 17, 1975, FOLLOWS:

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TO THE AMBASSADORS OF: JUNE 17TH, 1975

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

THE NETHERLANDS

DEAR MR. AMBASSADORS,

WE THE FOLLOWING: CARRIE JANE HUNTER, AMERICAN CITIZEN,

KENNETH STEPHEN SMITH, AMERICAN CITIZEN, AND SOPHIE EMILIE VAN

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ZINNICK BERGMANN, DUTCH CITIZEN, ARE WRITING THIS LETTER TO

REITERATE AND STRONGLY EMPHASIZE A POINT MENTIONED IN OUR FIRST LETTERS: ANY INTERFERENCE BY THE FORCES OF MOBUTU COULD GREATLY ENDANGER OUR LIVES.

SINCE OUR ARRIVAL, BOATS WITH SOLDIERS OF MOBUTU HAVE APPROACHED VERY CLOSE AND HAVE MADE A RECONNAISSANCE OF THE AREA.

THE PRP INSISTS ON EMPHASIZING THAT SHOULD THESE CLOSE APPROACHES BE CONTINUED THIS WILL RESULT IN FIGHTING, AND THE PRP HAS SAID THAT WE WILL BE KILLED.

THE PRP REQUESTS THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION BE BROADCAST ON THE RADIO TO COMMUNICATE THIS TO MOBUTU.

WE PLEA (SIC) WITH YOU TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO CONVEY THIS INFORMATION TO MOBUTU VIA ANY MEANS POSSIBLE: RADIO, AND THROUGH THE ZAIRE AMBASSADOR.

THE PRP IS SERIOUS IN REQUESTING THAT THIS INFORMATION BE BROADCAST AND THEIR (SIC) IS NO DOUBT IN OUR MINDS THAT SHOULD MOBUTU'S BOATS CONTINUE THESE CLOSE APPROACHES THAT WE WILL BE KILLED.

WE REMAIN
YOURS FAITHFULLY
EMILLIE VAN ZINNICQ BERGMANN (SIGNED)
CARRIE JANE HUNTER (SIGNED)
KENNETH STEPHEN SMITH (SIGNED) UNQTE
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